



MONOCLONAL ANTIBODY THERAPY FOR COVID-19

CONSIDERATIONS FOR EMS AND MEDICAL CONTROL AUTHORITIES

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DISCLOSURES AND CONFLICTS

- **DISCLOSURES**

- WESTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY HOMER STRYKER MD SCHOOL OF MEDICINE
 - PROFESSOR OF EMERGENCY MEDICINE
 - CHIEF, DIVISION OF EMS AND DISASTER MEDICINE
- KALAMAZOO COUNTY MEDICAL CONTROL AUTHORITY
 - EMS MEDICAL DIRECTOR

- **CONFLICTS**

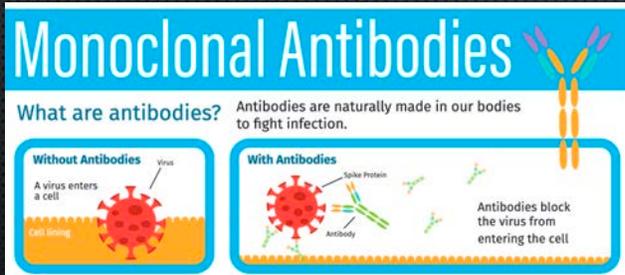
- NONE KNOWN



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MONOCLONAL ANTIBODY THERAPY

- MONOCLONAL ANTIBODIES ARE LABORATORY-MADE PROTEINS THAT MIMIC THE IMMUNE SYSTEM'S ABILITY TO FIGHT OFF HARMFUL ANTIGENS SUCH AS VIRUSES. (FDA Nov 9, 2020)



Source: Lilly Bamlanivimab Playbook

Trump Received Experimental Antibody and Remdesivir for Coronavirus

The president, who faces risks of a more severe bout with the virus because of his age, is taking vitamin D and other treatments in addition to Regeneron's antibody cocktail and Gilead's remdesivir

Trump Is Transported to Hospital by Marine One After Positive Covid Test

President Trump was moved to Walter Reed Medical Center on Friday after testing positive for Covid-19, shaking up Washington and scrambling campaign plans in the final stretch of the 2020 presidential election. WSJ's Shelby Holliday reports. Photo: Getty Images

Source: Wall Street Journal, Oct 3

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MONOCLONAL ANTIBODY THERAPY

- **Oct 3:** PRESIDENT TRUMP TREATED WITH MAB THERAPY
- **Nov 9:** LILLY RECEIVES FDA EMERGENCY USE AUTHORIZATION (EUA) FOR BAMLANIVIMAB
- **Nov 19:** FIRST PATIENTS IN MI TREATED WITH MAB AS IV INFUSION
- **Nov 21:** REGENERON RECEIVES FDA EUA FOR CASIRIVIMAB AND IMDEVIMAB "COCKTAIL"
- **Dec 19:** MICHIGAN TREATS 800 PATIENTS

THE CORONAVIRUS CRISIS

Doctors Deploy Antibody Drugs Against COVID-19 And Hope Effort's Worthwhile

November 25, 2020 - 4:32 PM ET

RICHARD HARRIS

A temporary tent was set up at UMass Memorial Hospital in Worcester, Mass., to prepare for an uptick in COVID-19 cases this month.

Ben Clark/Stock Photo via Getty Images

Source: NPR, Nov 25, 2020

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MAB THERAPY – THE SCIENTIFIC EVIDENCE

	Lilly Bamlanivimab	Regeneron Casirivimab and Imdevimab
Primary Clinical Trial for EUA	Interim analysis of phase 2 randomized dosing trial	Interim analysis of phase 2 randomized dosing trial
Study population	Mild to moderate COVID-19 symptoms w/o hospitalization	Mild to moderate COVID-19 symptoms w/o hospitalization
Number of patients (mAb vs placebo)	465 (101/107/101 vs 156)	799 (266/267 vs 266)
Primary outcome: Change in viral load	No difference at 11 days	mAb better than placebo at 7 days
Secondary outcome: Percent admitted (or ER visits) in high risk patients	3% (mAb) vs 10% (placebo) FDA 4% (mAb) vs 15% (placebo) NEJM	3% (mAb) vs 9% (placebo) FDA
Peer-reviewed publications	NEJM 10/28/2020	None
Number needed to treat (NNT) to prevent 1 admission (or ER visit)	14.3 (FDA) / 9.1 (NEJM)	16.7 (FDA)

Source: FDA and NEJM

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FEDERAL AND STATE PERSPECTIVES

- **FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION**
 - MAB NOT APPROVED FOR ANYTHING, ONLY AUTHORIZED
- **HHS ASSISTANT SECRETARY FOR PREPAREDNESS AND RESPONSE AND OWS**
 - STATES SHOULD WORK TO MAKE THIS MAB WIDELY AVAILABLE, "GAME CHANGER"
- **NIH COVID-19 TREATMENT RECOMMENDATIONS PANEL**
 - MAB NOT STANDARD OF CARE. CANNOT SUPPORT OR DISCOURAGE USE
- **CENTERS FOR MEDICARE AND MEDICAID SERVICES**
 - MEDICARE WILL COVER AND PAY FOR INFUSIONS (\$310)
- **MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**
 - CLINICIANS MAKE DECISION TO USE. CANNOT SUPPORT OR DISCOURAGE USE
 - MDHHS COMMITTED TO MAKING MAB WIDELY AVAILABLE TO PATIENTS/CLINICIANS

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MONOCLONAL ANTIBODY EUA CRITERIA

- COVID-19 POSITIVE, AND
- MILD TO MODERATE DISEASE IN ADULTS AND PEDIATRIC PATIENTS (AGE ≥ 12 & ≥ 40 KG), AND
- NOT REQUIRING HOSPITALIZATION OR SUPPLEMENTAL OXYGEN, AND
- WITHIN 10 DAYS OF SYMPTOM ONSET (IDEALLY WITHIN 3 DAYS) , AND
- HIGH RISK FOR PROGRESSING TO SEVERE DISEASE

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HIGH RISK ADULTS

- AGE ≥ 65 YEARS OR
- BODY MASS INDEX (BMI) ≥ 35 , OR
- AGE ≥ 55 YEARS, AND
 - CARDIOVASCULAR DISEASE, OR
 - HYPERTENSION, OR
 - COPD/OTHER CHRONIC RESPIRATORY DISEASE
- CHRONIC KIDNEY DISEASE, OR
- DIABETES, OR
- IMMUNOSUPPRESSIVE DISEASE, OR
- RECEIVING IMMUNOSUPPRESSIVE TREATMENT.

Separate high-risk pediatric criteria

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HIGH RISK PEDIATRICS (ADOLESCENTS)

- BMI \geq 85TH PERCENTILE FOR THEIR AGE AND GENDER, OR
- SICKLE CELL DISEASE, OR
- CONGENITAL OR ACQUIRED HEART DISEASE, OR
- NEURODEVELOPMENTAL DISORDERS, (E.G., CEREBRAL PALSY) OR
- A MEDICAL-RELATED TECHNOLOGICAL DEPENDENCE, FOR EXAMPLE, TRACHEOSTOMY, GASTROSTOMY, OR POSITIVE PRESSURE VENTILATION (NOT RELATED TO COVID-19), OR
- ASTHMA, REACTIVE AIRWAY OR OTHER CHRONIC RESPIRATORY DISEASE THAT REQUIRES DAILY MEDICATION FOR CONTROL.

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LIMITATIONS OF AUTHORIZED USE

- **MONOCLONAL ANTIBODY THERAPY IS NOT AUTHORIZED FOR**
 - HOSPITALIZED PATIENTS DUE TO COVID-19, OR
 - PATIENTS REQUIRING O₂ THERAPY, OR
 - PATIENTS ON HOME O₂ REQUIRING AN INCREASE FROM BASELINE OXYGEN
- **BENEFIT OF TREATMENT WITH MAb HAS NOT BEEN OBSERVED IN PATIENTS HOSPITALIZED DUE TO COVID-19.**
 - MAY BE ASSOCIATED WITH WORSE CLINICAL OUTCOMES WHEN ADMINISTERED TO HOSPITALIZED PATIENTS ON HIGH FLOW OXYGEN OR VENTILATORS

SOURCE: FDA MAb EUAs

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MONOCLONAL ANTIBODY ALLOCATION

- MEDICATION PROVIDED AT NO COST BY FEDERAL GOVERNMENT
- WEEKLY ALLOCATIONS TO STATES BASED ON COVID-19 ADMISSIONS
- MDHHS RESPONSIBLE FOR ALLOCATING TO HOSPITALS AND OTHERS
- EVERY HOSPITAL HAS RECEIVED AN ALLOCATION
- PROJECT SPEED: ALLOCATION DIRECTLY TO LTCs AND FQHCs
- SUPPLY >>>>>>DEMAND

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INITIAL ALLOCATION IN MICHIGAN

- ~50% ALLOCATED TO ALL HOSPITALS WITH EDs AS BASELINE (11 VIALS PER HOSPITAL)
- ~50% ALLOCATED BASED ON COVID-19 ADMISSIONS
- CAPPED AT 50 VIALS PER HOSPITAL
- SUPPLIES TO HOSPITALS INTENDED FOR BROAD COMMUNITY

Number/Range of Vials to be Distributed	Number of Hospitals Receiving this Quantity*	Percent of Hospitals Receiving this Quantity
11 (Base)	44	27%
12 to 15	43	26%
16 to 20	19	12%
21 to 25	16	10%
26 to 30	10	6%
31 to 40	6	4%
41 to 49	2	1%
50 (Cap)	24	15%
Total	164	100%

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MONOCLONAL ANTIBODY THERAPY ADMINISTRATION

- **ADMINISTRATION**
 - REQUIRES INTRAVENOUS INFUSION OVER AT LEAST 60 MINUTES, AND
 - 60 MINUTE OBSERVATION
- **PREPARATION**
 - DOES NOT REQUIRE PHARMACIST
 - MAY BE PREPARED AT BEDSIDE, NO PUMP
- **EMERGENCY CAPABILITIES**
 - INITIAL TREATMENT OF ANAPHYLAXIS



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OPTIONS FOR INFUSION

- EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT
- INFUSION CLINIC
 - HOSPITAL OR INDEPENDENT
- DEDICATED INFUSION AREA OF HOSPITAL
- OUTPATIENT CLINIC
- LONG-TERM CARE
- HOME CARE SETTING (INCLUDING EMS)

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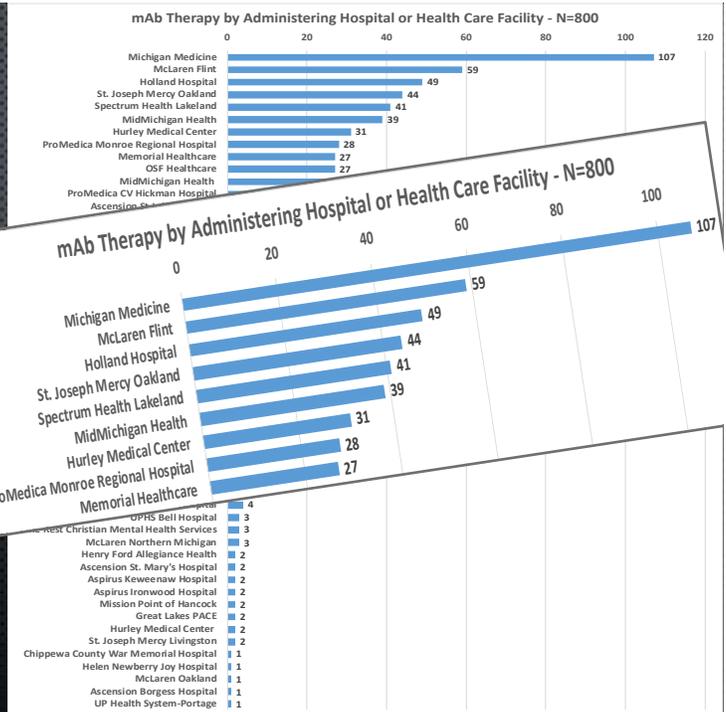


MICHIGAN'S FIRST 800 PATIENTS

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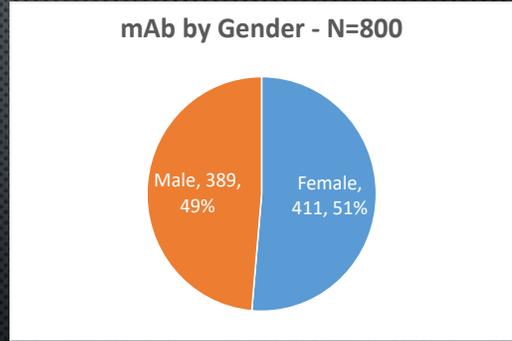
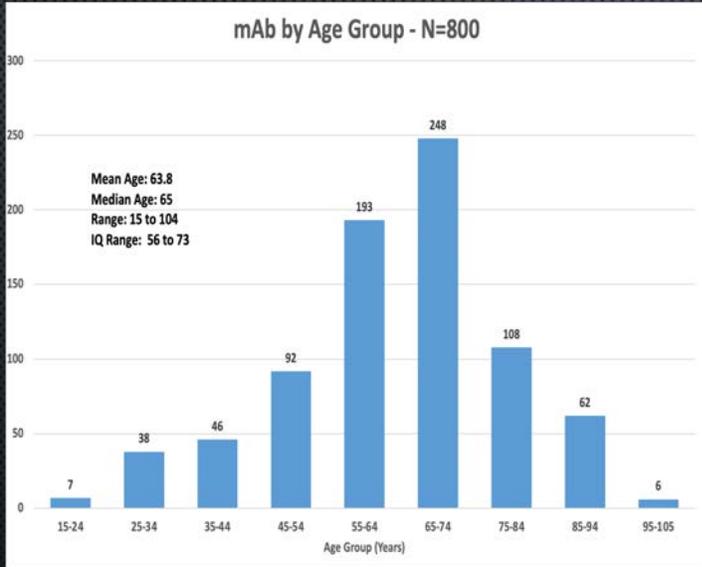
MONOCLONAL ANTIBODY THERAPY BY HOSPITALS

- >25% of hospitals in the UP
- More patients treated in UP (88) than in Detroit (38)
- More Level 3 & 4 trauma centers than Level 1 & 2 trauma centers
- SE MI ~50% of population only 25% of hospitals used mAb
- Most treated at one site in one day were 21 at a SNF



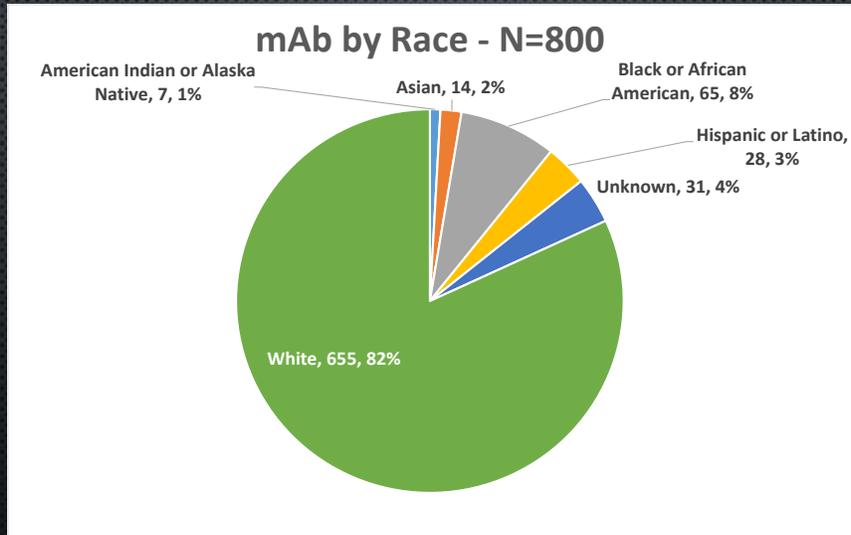
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MAB THERAPY BY AGE AND GENDER

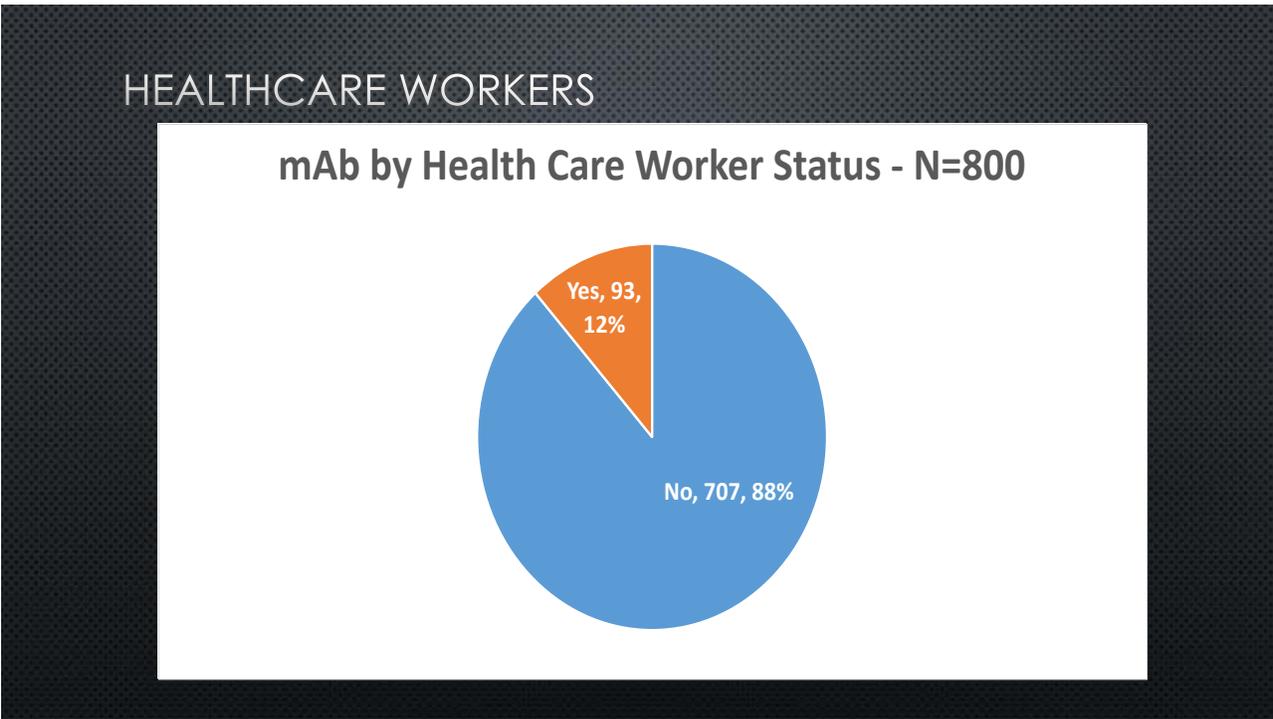


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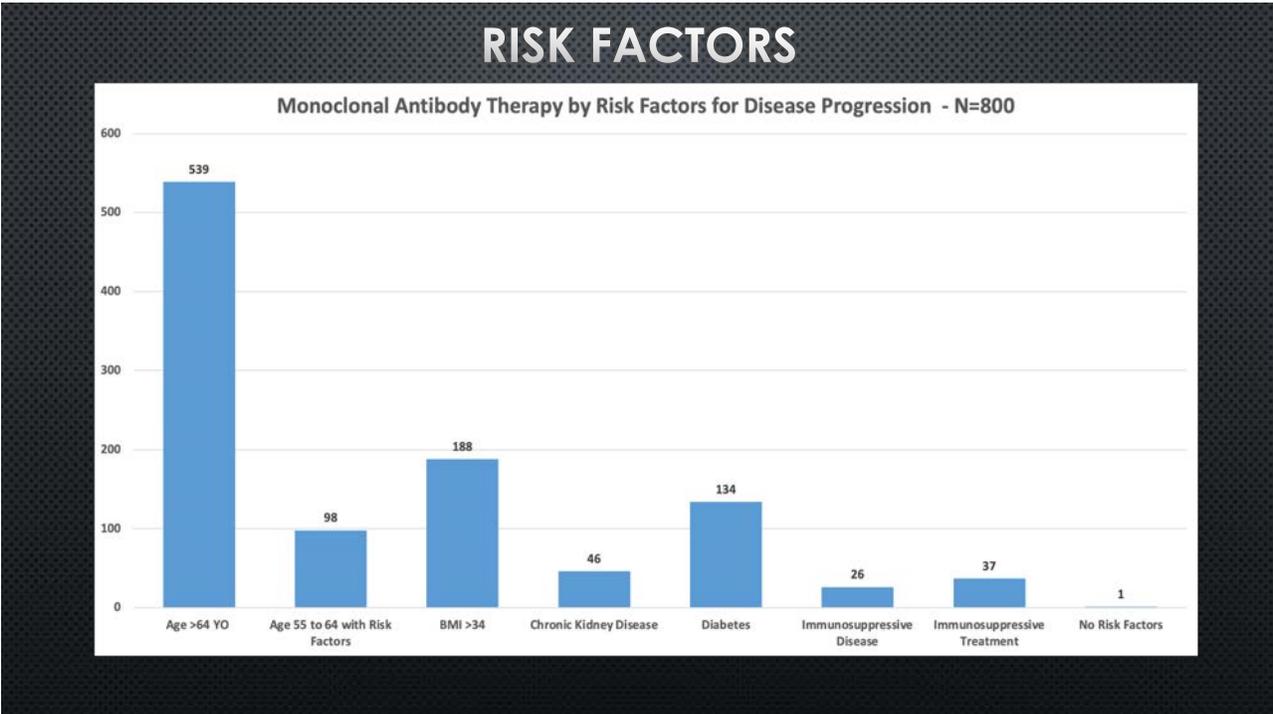
MAB THERAPY BY RACE



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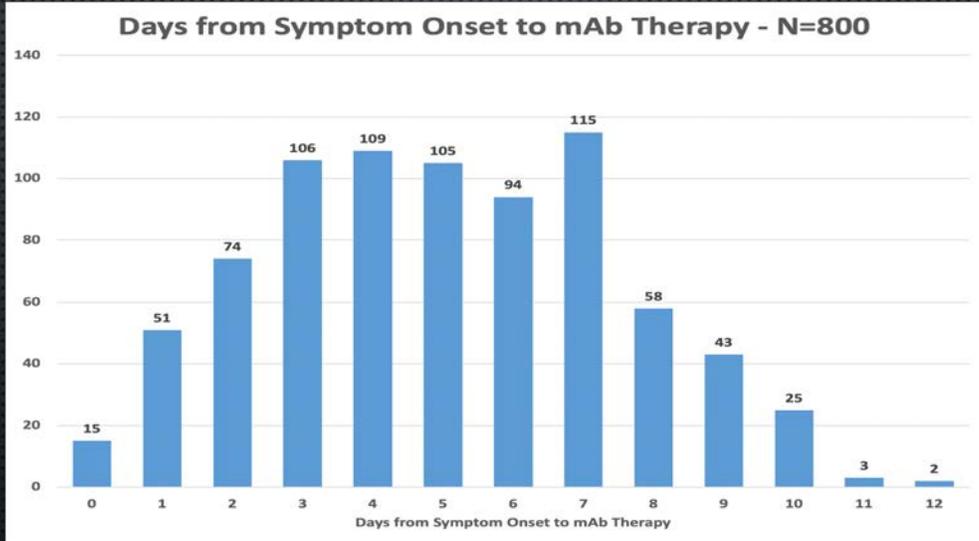


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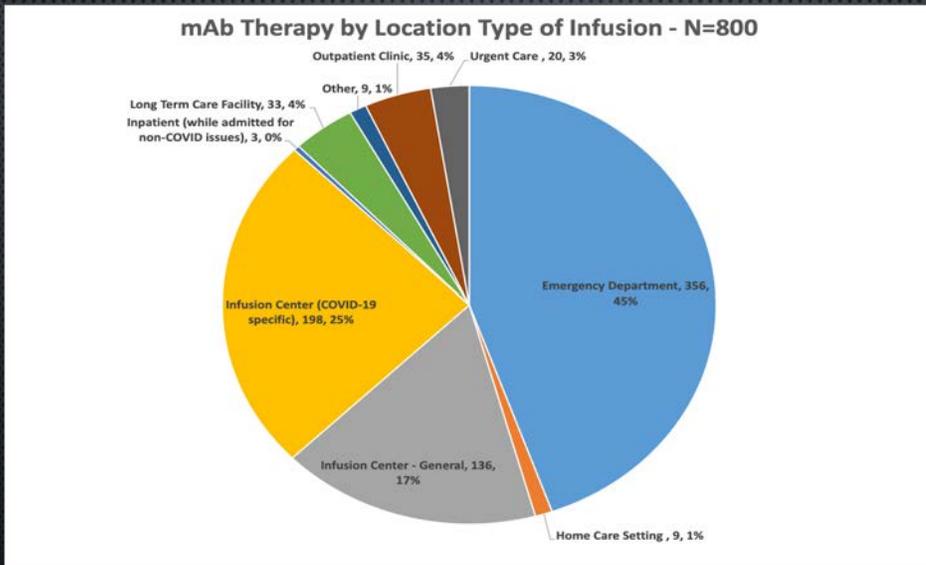
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DAYS FROM SYMPTOM ONSET TO MAB



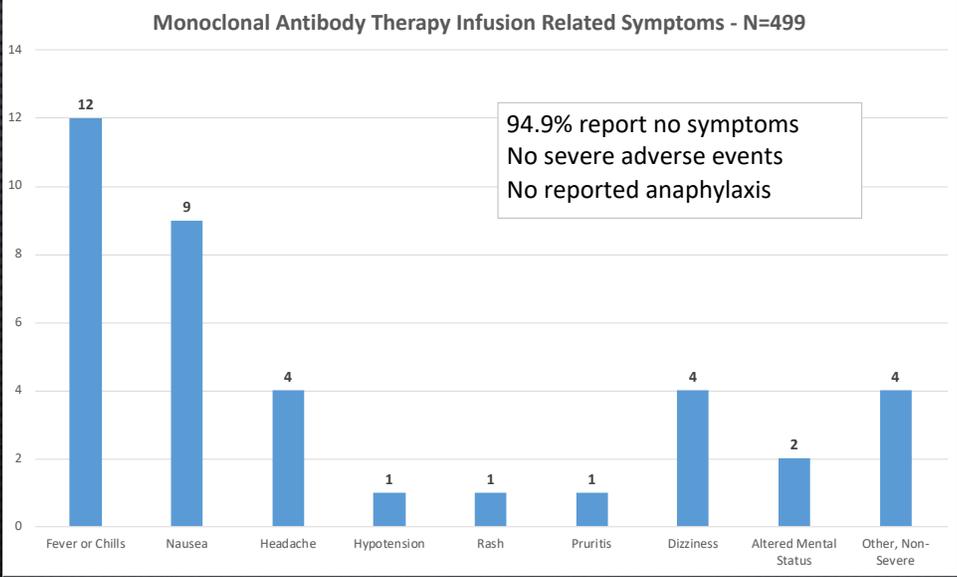
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INFUSION LOCATION



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INFUSION RELATED SIDE EFFECTS



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WILL MONOCLONAL ANTIBODIES MITIGATE COVID-19 ADMISSIONS? SAVE LIVES

- POST-INFUSION ADMISSION RATE 4.4%
 - NO DIFFERENCE IN AGE \leq 65 YO,
 - NO DIFFERENCE IN BMI \leq 35,
- 2 DEATHS REPORTED TO DATE
- 63 LTC PATIENTS WITH 1 DEATH, 1 ADMISSION BOTH TREATED AFTER 7 DAYS OF SYMPTOMS, 1 GRAVELY ILL AT SNF. REMAINDER CLINICALLY IMPROVED

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OPERATION HOLIDAY DELIVERY

- RAPID RESPONSE (<24 HOURS) TO SNFs WITH LARGE OUTBREAKS
- RESOURCES: MDHHS MOBILE CRISIS TEAMS + LOCAL EMS/PARAMEDICS
- THREE OPERATIONS (19, 21, AND 8 PATIENTS)
- REQUEST STATE SUPPORT THROUGH LOCAL PUBLIC HEALTH OR REGIONAL HEALTH CARE COALITIONS
- MDHHS CAN PROVIDE TECHNICAL SUPPORT

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OPERATION HOLIDAY DELIVERY



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FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

- ABILITY FOR EMS TO DIRECTLY BILL MEDICARE, INSURANCE
- BILL FACILITY FOR SERVICES

The screenshot shows the CMS.gov website interface. At the top, there is a search bar and the CMS logo. Below the logo are several navigation tabs: Medicare, Medicaid/CHIP, Medicare-Medicaid Coordination, Private Insurance, Innovation Center, Regulations & Guidance, Research, Statistics, Data & Systems, and Outreach & Education. The main content area is titled 'Monoclonal Antibody COVID-19 Infusion' and includes a 'Table of Contents' with the following links:

- [Medicare Monoclonal Antibody COVID-19 Infusion Program Instruction](#)
- [Coding for Monoclonal Antibody COVID-19 Infusion](#)
- [Medicare Payment for Monoclonal Antibody COVID-19 Infusion](#)
- [Billing for Monoclonal Antibody COVID-19 Infusion Administration](#)

A note below the table of contents states: '*New* Please review the [infographic \(PDF\)](#) on COVID-19 monoclonal antibody treatment coverage.'

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HELPFUL LINKS

- [HTTPS://WWW.FDA.GOV/MEDIA/143604/DOWNLOAD](https://www.fda.gov/media/143604/download)
- [HTTPS://WWW.FDA.GOV/MEDIA/143603/DOWNLOAD](https://www.fda.gov/media/143603/download)
- [HTTPS://WWW.CMS.GOV/MEDICARE/COVID-19/MONOCLONAL-ANTIBODY-COVID-19-INFUSION](https://www.cms.gov/medicare/covid-19/monoclonal-antibody-covid-19-infusion)
- [HTTPS://WWW.NEJM.ORG/DOI/FULL/10.1056/NEJMOA2029849](https://www.nejm.org/doi/full/10.1056/NEJMOA2029849)

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THANKS – QUESTIONS?

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